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Washington, DC 2023

PETITION TO CORRECT US NATIONAL PHASE FILING DATE

UNDER PCT RULES 82.1(b) AND 48(2)

AND IN VIEW OF 37 CFR §1.10(d)

SIR:

Applicant has not yet received a *Notification of Acceptance of Application Under 35 USC* §371 (Form PCT/DO/EO/905) or official U.S. filing receipt. Applicant's undersigned attorneys

wish to address a discrepancy between the actual date of deposit of the above-identified U.S. national phase patent application and the "Date In" indicated by the United States Post Office on express mail label EL803336252US (in order to preserve applicant's right to the earliest claimed priority in this case).

For the reasons detailed hereinbelow, applicant hereby requests that the date of receipt of the 35 USC §371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) requirements and the date of receipt of all 35 USC §371 requirements be corrected to December 17, 2001. The relevant facts pertaining to this petition are as follows:

- 1. After the terrorist attacks on the United States of America in New York-NY and the nation's capitol in Washington-DC on Tuesday, September 11, 2001, express mail service from New York state to the Washington-DC area was temporarily interrupted. On Friday, November 29, 2001, the United States Postal Service (hereinafter "USPS") officially announced a suspension of express mail service to zip codes 202XX-205XX; which zip code range includes 20231 for the United States Patent and Trademark Office (hereinafter "USPTO"). Thereafter, the USPTO posted a public bulletin on the home page of their web site at www.uspto.gov establishing an alternate address at Arlington-VA 22202 for delivery of such packages. However, on Thursday, November 29, 2001, the USPS terminated this suspension. Therefore, by December 17, 2001, delivery of express mail packages to zip code 20231 (the USPTO, for example) had resumed. See Exhibit A.
- 2. On Monday, December 17, 2001, between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., JUAN COLON, a mailroom attendant employed by applicant's U.S. patent agent, Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC, located at 270 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016-0601, telephone number 212-684-

3900, hand-delivered an express mail package bearing express mail label EL803336252US (see Exhibit B a true copy pursuant to 37 CFR §1.10(c)(3)) to the United States Post Office at Grand Central Station (hereinafter "USPS-GC"), located at 450 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10017, telephone number 212-330-5831. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.10(d)(2), applicant encloses herewith at Exhibit C, a true copy of the return receipt postcard stamped by the United States Receiving Office which bears an applied sticker from express mail label EL803336252US and the receipt date of December 18, 2001 although the actual date of deposit date was December 17, 2001. Said express mail package was addressed from Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC to the USPTO at "Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231" using the USPS express mail post office to addressee service in accordance with 37 CFR §1.10(a).

In *Declaration of Mr. Juan Colon* (see Exhibit D), Mr. Colon deposes and says that he personally deposited said express mail package in the Express Mail Depository Box located inside the USPS-GC facility prior to the last scheduled sweep of express mail packages from this drop-box which is 8:00 p.m. In support hereof, please also see Exhibit F which is a true copy of the firm's daily outgoing *Express Mail Log*.

3. On Monday, December 17, 2001, INDRA MOLLER, a receptionist employed by applicant's U.S. patent agent, Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC, located at 270 Madison Avenue, New York, NY 10016-0601, recorded in the firm's daily outgoing *Express Mail Log* an entry for express mail label EL803336252US prior to hand-delivery by Mr. Colon to the USPS-GC. See *Declaration of Ms. Indra Moller* at Exhibit E. See also Exhibit F which is a true copy of the firm's daily outgoing *Express Mail Log* which is maintained by Ms. Moller.

4. After a patent paralegal employed by the law offices of Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC conducted a persistent telephone investigation with the main USPS in New York City (hereinafter "USPS-NYC"), Expedited Services Department, located in the JAF Building, at 421 8th Avenue, Room 5008, New York, NY 10199-9617, telephone number 212-330-3100, applicant submits herewith the *Declaration of Ms. Trevis Evans* at Exhibit G.

Ms. Evans is an administrative assistant employed by the USPS-NYC who, being well adversed in express mail procedures, conducted an internal investigation regarding the discrepancy between applicant's claimed express mail deposit date of December 17, 2001 and the "Date In" of December 18, 2001 as indicated on express mail label EL803336252US; and the discrepancy between zip code 10017 for originating post office USPS-GC and another post office functioning as a hub station in zip code 10150 where said express mail package was not deposited by applicant's patent attorneys.

In her declaration, Ms. Evans, deposes and says that the USPS-GC had received a high volume of express mail on December 17, 2001 after 5:00 p.m. which affected normal post office handling procedures. Applicant hereby submits this evidence pursuant to 37 CFR §1.10(d)(3).

In view of the facts and evidence presented hereinabove, applicant hereby requests that the date of receipt of the 35 USC §371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) requirements and the date of receipt of all 35 USC §371 requirements in the above-identified U.S. national phase patent application be corrected to December 17, 2001. In accordance with 37 CFR §1.10(d), applicant maintains that the "Date In" of December 18, 2001 on express mail label EL803336252US was entered incorrectly by the USPS. Hence, under normal circumstances at the USPS-GC, express mail label EL803336252US would have and should have been accorded a "Date In" of

December 17, 2001.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application any patent issuing thereon or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

Dated: April 9, 2002

New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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Related Notices < Termination of the Suspension

Termination of the Suspension of the "Express Mail" Service of United States Postal Service for mail addressed to ZIP Codes 202xx through 205xx

OmEriday: November 16, 2001, the United States Postal Service (USPS) temporarily suspended Express Mail/Service to Washington, D.C., ZIP Codes 202xx through 205xx (e.g., 20231). On Tuesday, November 20, 2001, the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) posted a notice on its Internet Web site (http://www.uspto.gov/september11/uspsmaildisrup.htm) establishing an Arlington, VA 22202 address for use on an emergency basis for patent-related correspondence being delivered to the USPTO by the USPS's Express Mail service.

On Thursday, November 29, 2001, the USPS indicated that this suspension of Express Mail service has been terminated. Since the USPS has terminated this suspension of Express Mail service, patent-related correspondence being delivered to the USPTO by the USPS (either by first class or Express Mail service) should now be addressed as set forth in 37 CFR 1.1(a)(1); that is, patent-related correspondence should now be addressed:

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231.

While the USPTO prefers that patent-related correspondence be addressed as set forth in 37 CFR 1.1(a)(1) (i.e., to the above Washington, DC 20231 address), the USPTO will continue to accept patent-related correspondence at the Arlington, VA 22202 address indicated in the notice published on November 20, 2001 on the USPTO's Internet Web site and treat such correspondence as if it were addressed as set forth in 37 CFR 1.1 for purposes of 37 CFR 1.8 and 1.10 until further notice.

Questions concerning this notice should be directed to Cynthia Nessler, Legal Advisor, Office of Patent Legal Administration at (703) 308-6906.

Date: December 5, 2001

Signed /s/

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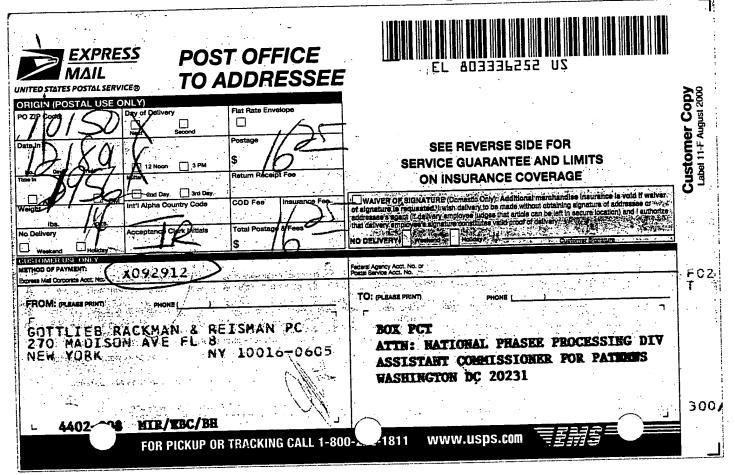
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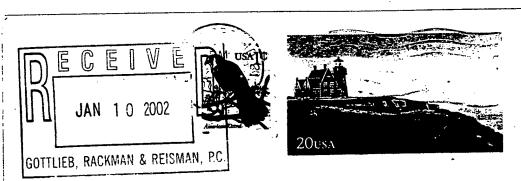
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DECLARATION OF MR. JUAN COLON IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO CORRECT US FILING DATE

SIR:

I, JUAN COLON, hereby declare that:

- 1. I am a full-time Mailroom Attendant employed with the law offices of Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC, located at 270 Madison Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10016-0601, telephone number 212 684 3900. I have been employed in the firm's Office Services Department for a little over one year.
- 2. My daily responsibilities include delivering the firm's express mail packages to the United States Post Office at Grand Central Station (hereinafter "USPS-GC"), located at 450

Lexington Avenue Front, New York, NY 10017.

3. On Monday, December 17, 2001, between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m., I personally

delivered a small batch of express mail packages from the firm to USPS-GC. This batch

included one package bearing express mail label EL803336252US addressed from the firm to

"Box Patent Application, Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231" (see

Exhibit F). I deposited this package in the Express Mail Depository Box located inside the

USPS-GC facility nearest the main entrance at 450 Lexington Avenue, and prior to the last

scheduled sweep of express mail packages from this drop-box which is 8:00 p.m., Mondays

through Fridays.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that

all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these

statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are

punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application any

patent issuing thereon or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

Dated: April 9, 2002

New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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DECLARATION OF MS. INDRA MOLLER IN SUPPORT OF PETITION TO CORRECT US FILING DATE

SIR:

- I, INDRA MOLLER, hereby declare that:
- 1. I am a full-time Receptionist employed with the law offices of Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC, located at 270 Madison Avenue, 8th Floor, New York, NY 10016-0601, telephone number 212 684 3900. I have been employed in the firm's Office Services Department for 31/2 years.
- My responsibilities include making daily entries in the firm's outgoing Express Mail Log prior to the delivery of express mail packages to the United States Post Office at Grand

Central Station (hereinafter "USPS-GC"), located at 450 Lexington Avenue Front, New York,

NY 10017.

3. On Monday, December 17, 2001, I recorded in the firm's outgoing Express Mail Log

express mail label EL803336252US addressed from the firm to "Box Patent Application,

Assistant Commissioner for Patents, Washington, DC 20231". See Exhibit F.

4. To the best of knowledge, said express mail package was delivered to the USPS-GC

by the firm's mailroom attendant as usual and prior to the firm's closing time of 6:00 p.m.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that

all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these

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DECLARATION OF MS. TREVIS EVANS

SIR:

- I, TREVIS EVANS, hereby declare that:
- 1. I am an Administrative Assistant employed with the United States Postal Service of New York City (hereinafter "USPS-NYC") in the Expedited Services Department located in the JAF Building, at 421 8th Avenue, Room 5008, New York, New York 10199-9617 (the main post office facility for New York City), telephone number 212-330-3100. I have been employed in this department for (6) years although I have been employed with the USPS for a total of (30) years.
- 2. On February 19, 2002, I received a telephone call from Belinda J. Hunter, a Patent Paralegal, from applicant's patent attorneys office, Gottlieb Rackman & Reisman PC

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(hereinafter "GRR"), located at 270 Madison Avenue, New York, New York 10016-0801. I am aware that the applicant is petitioning for a corrected filing date in the above-identified patent application.

3. I have conducted an internal investigation of USPS-NYC records for express mail label EL803336252US and I have determined the following:

A. I understand that an express mail package addressed to the United States Patent and Trademark Office bearing express mail label EL803336252US was deposited by GRR's mailroom attendant on Monday, December 17, 2001 between 5:00 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. (prior to the last pick-up time of 8:00 p.m.) in an Express Mail Depository Box inside the main entrance of the United States Post Office at Grand Central Station (hereinafter "USPS-GC") located at 450 Lexington Avenue Front, New York, New York 10017.

B. According to my investigation, said express mail label received a handwritten "Date In" of December 18, 2002 by a postal employee and was indicated as having been received by the Franklin D. Roosevelt post office (hereinafter "the USPS-FDR") in zip code "10150" which differs from the applicant's claimed deposit date of December 17, 2001 in USPS-GC in zip code 10017. The differences between these dates and originating zip codes was due to receipt of a high volume of express mail package from a collections depositories after 5:00 p.m. at the USPS-GC on December 17, 2001 which affected normal post office handling procedures,





I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application any patent issuing thereon or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

Dated: March 19, 2002 New York, New York

Respectfully submitted,

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